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Applicants: Vadiraja Murthy and Edward R. Burns

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Filed : November 13, 1996

For : METHOD FOR DETECTING HEMOLYSIS *MAY 28 1998*

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PETITION FOR A FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a four month extension of time  
in connection with the above-identified application for filing a  
Continuing Prosecution Application (CPA) thereto. A Notice of  
Appeal was filed on November 19, 1997. An Appeal Brief was due  
January 19, 1998. This petition for a four month extension of time  
extends the deadline for filing a response to May 19, 1998.  
Accordingly, the subject application is pending on May 19, 1998 for  
purposes of filing a Continuing Prosecution Application (CPA)  
thereto.

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The required fee for the four month extension of time is \$755.00 for a small entity, and a check for this amount is enclosed. Applicants' small entity status was previously established and still applicable.

Authorization is hereby given to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment, or charge any additional extension of time fee necessary to preserve the pendency of the subject application to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully Submitted,

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